

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1-75 (canceled)

Claim 76 (currently amended): A method of forming and applying an elongated horizontal transitional trim product comprising:

- a) forming an elongated, molded, horizontally-positioned stiffening block, comprising:
 - i) a flat, vertical back surface;
 - ii) a flat, horizontal top surface;
 - iii) a flat, horizontal bottom surface; and
 - iv) a front surface extending between an outer edge proximate said top surface and an outer edge proximate said ~~back~~ bottom surface, and providing in its cross-sectional profile a plurality of interconnected, continuous surfaces, including both flat and curved, vertical and horizontal surfaces;
- b) fixedly securing said molded horizontally-positioned stiffening block directly to a flat, vertical surface of said building;
- c) forming an elongated, horizontal deformable metallic sheet terminating in respective upper and lower end sections located above and below a central section and characterized by said central section providing, in its cross-sectional profile, a plurality of interconnected, continuous surfaces, which mate and snugly fit with the cross-sectional profile of said stiffening block, said central, upper, and lower end sections being shaped so as to enable said sheet, prior to installation of other support means, to be installed on, supported by, and closely fitted to said stiffening block; and

d) mounting said sheet onto said stiffening block by utilizing the shape of said central, upper, and lower end sections of said sheet to support and maintain said sheet on said stiffening block prior to installation of other support means.

Claim 77 (currently amended): The method of claim 76, wherein said upper-end section of said sheet is formed in a U-shape adapted to receive and snugly fit an exposed edge of a horizontal member secured to said building outwardly of said trim product and including the step of ~~installing~~ engaging a said horizontal member engaged with said U-shaped upper-end section.

Claim 78 (previously presented): The method of claim 76, wherein said sheet of deformable metallic material is chosen from aluminum, copper and steel.

Claim 79 (previously presented): The method of claim 76, wherein said molded stiffening block is made of foamed plastic resin.

Claim 80 (canceled)